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TITLE OF INVENTION: MULTI-SHAFT EXTRUDER

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US: Josef A. BLACH

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

- 1. [] This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
- 2. [X] This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
- 3. [] This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
- 4. [X] The US has been elected (Article 31).
- 5. [] A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
 - a. [] is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - b. [] has been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. [] is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
- 6. [] An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
 - a. [] is attached hereto.
 - b. [] has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- 7. [] Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
 - a. [] are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - b. [] have been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. [] have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - d. [] have not been made and will not be made.
- 8. [] An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
- 9. [] An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)).
- 10. [] An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)).

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Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:

- 11. [X] An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
- 12. [] An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
- 13. [] A preliminary amendment.
- 14. [] An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.
- 15. [] A substitute specification.
- 16. [] A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
- 17. [] A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825.
- 18. [] A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- 19. [] A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- 20. [X] Other items or information:
 - (a) Post card

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